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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA Supreme Court Cause No. DA-10-0050

| IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF | )                             |
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| MAGGIE RAE BROWN,     | )                             |
| Petitioner,           | ) MOTION FOR EXTENSION        |
| and.                  | OF TIME TO FILE OPENING BRIEF |
| RICHE ALLEN HOLLAND,  | )                             |
| Appellant/Respondent. | )                             |

Comes now Appellant Riche Allen Holland by and through his attorney George B. Best, and respectfully moves this Court for an Order extending the due date in which to file Appellant's opening brief. This motion is made under Mont. R. App. P. 26.

Opposing counsel has been contacted and does not object to this motion.

This motion is made upon the grounds that despite counsel's diligence there is a substantial need for an extension.

Appellate Mediation on this matter was not scheduled until April 29, 2010. Respondent was hopeful the matter could be resolved prior to incurring additional time and costs necessary for the filing of his opening brief.

Additionally, during the past two weeks counsel for Respondent had necessary out-of-town hearings and a trial that required attention.

Appellant respectfully requests a 30-day extension from the current due date in which to file his opening brief. Appellant respectfully requests the proposed due date be May 31, 2010.

DATED this 21 day of May, 2010.

GEORGE B. BEST,

Attorney for Appellant/Respondent

| 1  | CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE   |
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| 2  | I hereby certify that on $215^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of May, 2010 I have filed a true  |
| 3  | and accurate copy of the foregoing MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO   |
| 4  | FILE OPENING BRIEF with the Clerk of the Montana Supreme Court by  |
| 5  | facsimile and by U.S. Mail as herein set forth below; and that I have served true and accurate copies of the foregoing MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO                 |
| 6  | FILE OPENING BRIEF upon the Clerk of the District Court, each attorney of  |
| 7  | record, each court reporter from whom a transcript will be ordered, and each party<br>not represented by an attorney in the above-referenced District Court action, as |
| 8  | follows:   |
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